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ASC awards two from Airborne Laser office

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KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, N.M. — Two members of the Airborne Laser (ABL) System Program Office were picked from hundreds of competitors recently for awards from the Aeronautical Systems Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Capt. Barrett McCann, lead engineer for the High Energy Laser Integrated Product Team, was named Company Grade Officer of the Quarter, and Airman LeAnne Frazier was chosen Airman of the Quarter.

McCann, from San Antonio, Texas, graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1995, and in 1996 he earned a master's degree from Texas A&M University. Both degrees were in aeronautical engineering. From 1997-99 he served as a warhead analyst and designer at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. He joined the ABL System Program Office in June 1999.

Frazier, from Taft, Tenn., joined the Air Force in February 2001. The ABL System Program Office is her first assignment.

The ABL program office is part of the Aeronautical Systems Center while the Missile Defense Agency provides the direction for the Airborne Laser Program. @